

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

A method improves inventory records at a facility. The method includes the steps of assessing a plurality of current inventory records at the facility, responsively identifying at least one discrepancy in the current inventory records, resolving the at least one discrepancy, identifying at least one deficiency in the current inventory records which resulted in the at least one discrepancy, and establishing a plan to correct the at least one deficiency. The plan includes specific changes to current inventory practices.